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Continue the wave of resurgence and advance the people's war to greater heights!

*Negros Island Regional Party Committee on the 57th
anniversary of the New People's Army*

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The Negros Island Regional Party Committee (NIRPC) firmly salutes the Red commanders and fighters of the Apolinario Gatmaitan Command (AGC-NPA), on the 57th founding anniversary of the New People's Army (NPA). Inspired by its steadfast commitment to achieve genuine liberation, peace and democracy by advancing the national democratic revolution through the protracted people's war, the NPA continues to amass victories and overcoming obstacles over the past year. The NIRPC gladly extends its gratitude to the broad masses of Negrosanon for if not for their undying support to the NPA, the revolutionary movement would not have withstood and overcome the relentless brutal attacks of the reactionary armed forces of the ruling class in the region and in the whole country.

While we

celebrate our victories on this milestone, it is important to also remember and honor the fallen heroes and martyrs of our revolution, including Reynalde 'Ka Amek' Erecre, erstwhile NIRPC Secretary and political commissar of the Regional Operational Command of the AGC-NPA, 'Ka Joem' Golez, Mary Jane 'Ka Shonie' Magquilat, Reniel 'Ka Adie' Cellon, Charity 'Ka Mayang' Amacan, Jhon Dee 'Ka Dahlia' Supelanas, Jhonrey 'Ka JB' Mejares, Glenda 'Ka Glendel' Mejares, and Ka Pitong (collectively known as Tapi 7), Ruben 'Ka Marcos' Tingal, Ritchell 'Ka Makoy' Verano, Milky 'Ka Gorting' Sampini and Joedil 'Ka Cairo' Balsimo whose dedication have been etched in history as they laid their lives in serving the people. Along with the other martyrs, their sacrifice serve as inspiration to the entire revolutionary movement, in fighting against the ruling class of oppressors and exploiters.

The Party commends the NPA in continuing to uphold the ongoing and thoroughgoing rectification movement. Through the absolute leadership of the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP), the NPA - as the principal weapon of the Filipino people in dismantling the ruling semicolonial and semifeudal system - has continued to foil the enemy's plans to crush the revolutionary movement. Red fighters have consistently upheld the principle of "preserving oneself by destroying the enemy." Despite the repeated dull rhetoric of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and the (National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-Elcac) that only 'NPA remnants' operate, the five guerilla fronts in the region continue to recover, expand and consolidate its mass base and ranks.

Over the



past year, the NPA has victoriously outmaneuvered the AFP's constriction strategy and tactics, converting defensive situations into counter-offensive initiatives while still performing its integrated tasks of armed struggle, mass base building, and agrarian revolution. The worsening socio-economic crisis coupled with the outright fascism and state terrorism of the US-Marcos II regime has only made the ground more fertile for the revolutionary movement, allowing the NPA to recover lost territory and expanding into new ones, where the masses happily cherish their warriors, knowing full well that only the armed revolution can solve the widespread problems of poverty, landlessness and joblessness, and impunity.

The NPA must continue its wave of resurgence with vigor and determination. There is still a lot of work to be done to recover losses especially those emanating from internal ideological, political and organizational (IPO) weaknesses and shortcomings which have been sharply pinpointed and gradually but consistently corrected and sustain gains. It must ensure that Red commanders and fighters, both old and new, are united in the aim of national liberation and steadfastly carry out the revolution's urgent tasks amid immense sacrifices and difficulties.

With the rottenness of the ruling system worsening and intensifying in scale, the NPA must use its capabilities not only to withstand the enemy's attacks, but to bring forward the people's war to a new and higher level.

I. Exceedingly favorable conditions for advancing the people's war

Marked by worsening crisis, the US imperialist war machine can no longer rule the old way and has been unleashing its military might against anti-imperialist countries like Venezuela and Iran, while continuing its proxy wars in Palestine and Ukraine. The US-Trump regime aims to expand its control and assert its hegemony in a multipolar world, to reduce the threat of China and Russia as its imperialist competitors. Tens of thousands of civilians are murdered and displaced from their homes as the US aggressively deposes leaders to substitute their own puppets, to gain control of national governments and economies. Essentially, US warmongering unmasks imperialism in its most desperate state, unable to contain its systemic crisis of overproduction and resort to increasingly fascist rule and intensify wars of aggression.

The Philippines in particular has been subjected to countless harassment from China in the latter's effort to take over Philippine territory in

the West Philippine Sea. Tensions worsen as US presence in the country through the Balikatan and other military exercises and Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement (EDCA) sites act as imperialist saber rattling, with the US unwilling to give up more ground to its rival China.

As the world draws closer to another inter-imperialist war, neocolonies such as the Philippines are shoved into a corner and obligated to participate in supporting the US war machine. The US-Marcos II regime has basically offered Philippine sovereignty to the US in allowing the building of EDCA sites and increased military intervention. The country now serves as a giant US military base should tensions with China escalate to a point of no return, a trend getting more plausible as the Trump regime becomes more desperate to perpetuate in power.

Economically, neoliberal policies are being imposed to support imperialist and local bureaucrat plunder, plagued with billions of pesos worth of corruption for kickbacks. In Negros, these policies are becoming more and more aggressive, adversely affecting livelihoods of millions of Negrosanons, especially farmers and farm workers.

Sugar liberalization mainly affects small planters and farm workers. While comprador-landlords stand to profit from unstable sugar prices, small planters are forced to take out loans to sustain their livelihoods due to high prices of fertilizers and other farm inputs. Farm workers especially, are bearing the brunt as they continue to subsist on meager wages, earning only Php 200-400 per day (way below the minimum wage), going even less during the off-milling season. To make matters worse, the poor are subjected to subscribing to microfinance and lending institutions which extort their land and other collateral from them due to exorbitant interest rates.

Extractive projects (mining and quarrying) and commercial planting are also destroying peasant

livelihoods and communities. Aside from environmental damage, thousands of people, mostly peasant and indigenous people communities, are being displaced from their homes to make way for such projects, such as the oil palm plantation in Candoni that continues to expand, 'reforestation' using commercial trees in Central Negros, and widespread quarrying in different areas in Negros Occidental and Oriental.

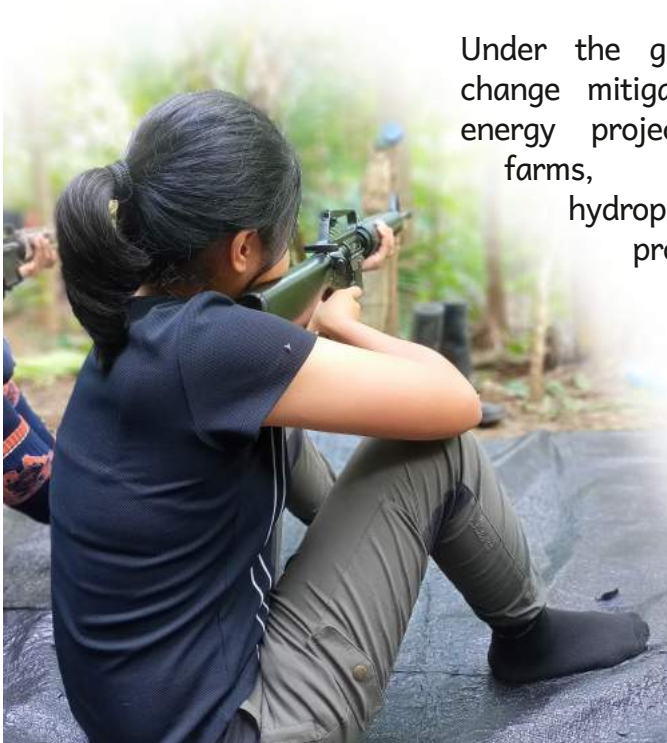
Reclamation projects in the cities of Bacolod, Dumaguete, Cadiz, and others are also displacing urban poor communities in the guise of 'development'. Natural disasters are also occurring more frequently, such as huge floods and the explosion of Kanlaon volcano, worsened by the exposition of corruption of flood control projects, where supposed solutions are becoming income generation for insatiable bureaucrats.

Under the guise of climate change mitigation, renewable energy projects such solar farms, wind mills, hydropower and the like proliferated especially in Northern Negros displacing communities and depriving the people of their crucial resources and livelihood.

Meanwhile, the AFP/PNP/NTF-Elcag combined are acting as guard dogs of these destructive projects. Militarization continues to plague countryside and urban communities, where human rights violations are perpetrated by state forces to silence dissent. Red-tagging progressive leaders and human rights defenders is still rampant, alongside illegal arrests, enforced 'fake' surrenders, threatening and coercion, and extrajudicial killings, all conducted by the same mercenary troops. Furthermore, Barangay Development Programs (BDP), like flood control projects, are riddled with corruption, with peasant and indigenous people communities still suffering from the same oppressive status quo amid band-aid solutions presented by the US-Marcos II regime.

II. With boundless support from the masses, the NPA thrives and the people's war advances

The Party salutes the Roselyn Jean Pelle Command (RJPC-NPA), Leonardo Panaligan Command (LPC-NPA), Romeo Nanta Command (RNC-NPA), Armando Sumayang Jr Command (ASJC-NPA), and the Rachelle Mae Palang Command (RMPC-NPA), for valiantly defending the people amid the continued militarization of the AFP's



302nd and 303rd infantry brigade in the island. Currently, there are nine AFP and PNP battalions and several specialized units deployed in the region, to intensify the state's counterinsurgency campaign in the effort to shift towards "external defense" to appease their imperialist masters.

The thousand threads that bind the NPA and the masses remain unsevered. Despite the relentless attacks of the enemy, the NPA was able to expand its area, establishing underground mass organizations in farmer and farm worker communities. Through social investigation and class analysis, NPA units are able to establish contacts and new areas, where the masses are always eager to show their support to their genuine defenders. Even amid the AFP's presence, the NPA is still able to consolidate existing mass organizations, and recover areas that have been subjected to intense militarization for the past years. The mass base has increased by 21% and organized masses by 20%. Educational discussions are being held in a clandestine and creative manner, to help raise the political consciousness of the organized masses.

Propaganda work has also been conducted against the state's 'NPA remnant'

rhetoric, long disproved by the punitive actions and tactical offensives waged by various NPA units in the entire region. NPA units also ensure timely releases of statements and tit-for-tat to belie the AFP's outrageous claims. Some guerrilla fronts have also released official publications to tackle local issues.

Conscious of its primary task of waging the armed struggle, the NPA since March 25, 2025 has launched 56 military actions of various type and scale and siezed 16 firearms, ammunition and other war materials. Military spies or intelligence assets and other individuals who have blood debt against the people and the revolution have also been punished, according to the statutes of revolutionary justice. Extractive operations who do not respect the authority of the revolution are also being punished, such as the quarry operation in Sitio Sigang, Barangay Carabalan, Himamaylan City, Negros Occidental.

Red fighters are also constantly being trained politically and militarily. PADEPA (Pambansang Demokratikong Paaralan) and Party courses are integrated alongside daily tasks to ensure that they are armed in political consciousness primarily alongside military capability and discipline, as comprehensive fighters that are able to fight the

enemy and arouse, organize, and mobilize the people in the protracted people's war.

As the NPA continues to strictly maintain its mass line, the exploited masses are drawn not only to support and cherish their fighters, but to join them as well. The youth from peasant communities and even urban areas are integrating themselves in NPA units, for tour-of-duty experience and even full-time commitments as new Red fighters. The recycled propaganda of the AFP that only NPA 'remnants' continue to operate in guerrilla fronts are untrue, with fresh blood constantly reinvigorating the ranks of the NPA.

To aid the masses amid the various band-aid solutions presented by AFP mercenaries that do not address the roots of poverty, NPA units assisted the campaigns to increase wages of farm workers and farmgate prices being organized and led by peasant associations



or chapters of Pambansang Katipunan ng Magbubukid (PKM).

Hundreds of masses were mobilized to demand an increase for their wages, and in resisting foreign and local business expansions that hamper their farm lots and homes.

Through the absolute leadership of the CPP, the NPA is cognizant of its role as the primary weapon to advance the armed revolution and the protracted people's war. Since the implementation of the ongoing rectification movement in 2023, the NPA has been at the forefront of ensuring that the weaknesses of empiricism, conservatism, and bureaucratism are overcome. Ideologically armed with Marxism-Leninism-Maoism (MLM), Red fighters are the Party's main machinery to achieve even more victories for the revolution in the course of the protracted people's war until victory.

III. Fighting Tasks

Rapid imperialist decline and its inevitable negative effect on neocolonies like the Philippines has provided even more fertile ground for the armed revolution to prosper. Historically, during times of inter-imperialist conflict, revolutions thrive and even win due to the favorable objective conditions and rapid increase of subjective forces.

The NPA must be poised to score even more victories in the next year, in accordance with the Party's call to intensify the people's war amid worsening global and domestic crisis. It is imperative that the NPA consciously undertake its task, as a peasant army, to mobilize farmers and farm workers in their thousands to wage anti-imperialist, anti-feudal, and anti-fascist campaigns to defend and assert their rights and welfare against the terrorist US-Marcos II regime.

The NPA must continue mounting tactical offensives against the enemy according to their capabilities and military actions that are capable of winning. It must master the art of balancing between attritive and annihilative actions, in line with the principle of "a thousand hits on the body and some timely fatal blows to the head." Units must actively acquire intelligence regarding the most isolated and weakest AFP, PNP, and paramilitary units, and ensure that they can acquire firearms, to arm new recruits. Meanwhile, measures must be taken to ensure that the enemy remains blind and deaf to unit locations and movements in order to maintain secrecy and ensure surprise attacks, at the same time Red commanders and fighters must be always ready to fight and seize the initiative during counter-offensive situations. It must continue to implement punitive actions against monopoly capitalist corporations alongside the

comprador operations that are rabid plunderers of the island's natural resources causing dislocation and destruction to the people's livelihood and the environment. Even ruling syndicates and overlords on drugs in the island are subject to punitive actions as they continue to milk on people's last cents and destroy the minds of the youth and sway their capabilities on arousing, organizing and mobilizing their ranks to bring about radical change in the society by joining the revolutionary movement through the NPA.

Counterrevolutionary elements and those who have committed crimes against the people and the revolution must be tried in the people's revolutionary court and punished accordingly. The NPA must also assiduously study the difference between contradictions of the people against the ruling class and those among the people themselves, so as to provide ample solutions regarding problems encountered by the masses.

Consistent propaganda against the AFP and NTF-Elcac's tirades must also be pursued. NPA units must be ceaseless and tireless in exposing the corrupt, illogical, and falsified claims of the enemy. NPA units must be quick to quell misleading news and stories

that aim to taint the prestige of the Party and the armed revolution.

Red fighters must also continue the expansion and consolidation of their respective mass base. There must be a conscious effort to strike a balance between the two. Expansion is required to widen the social and physical terrain of maneuver, while consolidation is also needed to deepen the mass base and raise the level of underground mass organizations, from organizing groups to organizing committees, mass associations, and barrio revolutionary committees. Recovery work must also be considered, especially areas that have been devastated by corrupt Barangay Development Projects and other neoliberal projects that threaten their communities and livelihoods.

Educational discussions must be held in a swift, concise, and clandestine manner. Basic PADEPA courses (MKGRP, ArAk, SMC 3-in-1, RGRY, CARHRIHL, DigBay and others) should be given to mass organizations to raise their political understanding and participation in the people's war. The NPA must also be conscious in training new instructors from Red fighters and mass organizations alike to be able to spread revolutionary propaganda on a much wider scale. Cultural

training must also be embedded to counter the commercialized, colonial, and fascist culture spread by the ruling class.

Aside from political training, NPA units must also conduct military trainings. Basic politico-military training and other military modules must be integrated in daily work to ensure that the NPA become capable and disciplined fighters. These can be held in a staggered manner in accordance with prevailing military situation.

Mass campaigns involving wages and benefits, aid during natural disasters and the like must also be waged. The NPA must continuously conduct social investigation and class analysis to understand and provide solutions to the problems of the masses. Agrarian revolution is the solution against semifeudal and feudal exploitation, and freeing the masses from this burden is an integral part of the national democratic revolution. Victorious mass campaigns also yield more recruits for the NPA.

Additionally, NPA units must continue recruiting from peasant communities especially the youth. Underground mass organizations and local Party branches must include NPA recruitment in their programs as well. Recruits from urban areas must also be welcomed. Units must ensure that new recruits be trained in politics and military, and entice tours-of-duty to commit as full-time Red fighters after weeks or months

of exposure to revolutionary work.

Establishment of militia units and section guerrilla units must also continue. Although not full-time, they aid NPA units in maneuver, logistics, and even in tactical offensives to ensure victory. They should also be equipped with politico-military training, as they can help in mounting attritive actions to spread the attention of the enemy and attack them from behind.

The current wave of resurgence inspired by the ongoing rectification movement must be sustained. With the ruling semicolonial and semifeudal system visibly rotting and isolating itself from the majority of the people, the NPA must boldly strive to advance the people's war to greater heights. As injustice and fascism continues to worsen, the need for the armed struggle is even more justified and necessary.

With the unyielding support of the exploited and oppressed masses, the Red army will inevitably flourish. Red fighters and commanders must muster the courage to take on even more daunting challenges and responsibilities in the next years to come. Inspired by our martyrs, the NPA must fight to the finish for genuine liberation and democracy.



**Continue the wave of resurgence and advance
the people's war to greater heights!**

Resist the imperialist war machine!

Long live the CPP-NPA-NDF!

**Long live the 57th anniversary of the New
People's Army!**